



**PATENT**  
**Serial No: 10/728,847**  
**Docket No: 1743-228**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANTS: Satoru Shimizu, *et al.*

SERIAL NO. : 10/728,847

FILED : December 8, 2003

FOR : METHOD FOR PROVIDING POWER PLANT  
MAINTENANCE SERVICES

ART UNIT : 2857

EXAMINER : Mohamed Charioui

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 16, 2004, the period for response having been extended herein to June 16, 2005 by payment of the requisite fee of \$1020.00 for a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), kindly amend the above-identified application as follows: